

Secretary Notes Highlighted
NSLA Board Meeting Agenda
September 22, 2020
7:00 pm via zoom

I. Call to Order

Please enter your name to signify you are present:

Mary Gregoski	Andrea Ripp	Courtney Pentland	
Angela Blankenship	Cynthia Stogdill	Peggy Bourge	
Kelly Kenny	Mandy Peterson		
Joy Harvey	Beth Eilers		

Review of [Meeting Norms](#)

Note on Voting:

Voting is limited to members of the executive board: president, president-elect, immediate past-president, secretary, treasurer, four members of the Association elected by the membership at large and the AASL liaison.

The Executive Secretary and all other liaison positions serve in advisory capacity, and do not vote.

II. Additions to Agenda / Agenda Approval

III. Minutes from [July 23, 2020 Board Meeting](#) / Minutes Approval

[Link to Minutes](#)

Motion to approved by : Andrea Ripp, seconded by Mary Gregoski

IV. Treasurer's Report / No Approval Needed

Current Checking Account Balance = \$6,625.10

Current PayPal Account Balance = \$8,964.08

Checking Account + PayPal Account Total =\$15,589.18

[Budget Report \(7/1/2020 to 9/21/2020\)](#)

- **This report includes both earned and spent money since July 1st**
- **Have already brought funds in for membership/fall conference**

[Category Summary \(7/1/19 - 6/30/20\)/Budget Review](#)

Request for Payment Form

PDF:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0Bxk1b099wz2Pc0ZoRk1LeThIVUE/view?usp=sharing>

GOOGLE DOC:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1B8IhVVipCJwgh4uXoedRlGu-p8s4ipgmgS7i_9lk19s/edit?usp=sharing

- **Beth will present this information at the board meeting**

VI. President's Report (Angela Blankenship) / No Approval Needed

1. Presentations at UNO/UNK for NSLA recruitment. Need to have a board member or two lead these presentations. Create an NSLA info ppt to share.
 - via Zoom at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov.2 : CONTACT SARA CHURCHILL; Who is available for this?
Is it worth putting something together- slides to use as a reference? Yes!
Cynthia is available for UNO's meeting
 - Spoke to Judy Henning. The week of Nov 9th sometime will work; let's plan on the 11th. We will give her our zoom link and she will pass on to her students. She would like to be able to share the recording for those that can't attend. Who is available?
November 11th -- Angela is available for UNK's meeting
2. NSLD Update. # of registrations. Responsibilities at NSLD. **[Updates from Courtney]**
 - **59 registrations will steadily go up each week. Still pushing out information and reminders. May not be interested in spending Saturday on tech, if using a lot during the week. Will be recording**
 - **Everything will have same zoom link (except breakouts 1/2 and 3/4)**

- **Registration closes the 10th, zoom links will go out later that week**
 - **Will have vendor giveaways/prizes**
 - **Have \$100 from UNO to cover a speaker this day, won't cost us much to host this event this year**
- What will be covered during the membership meeting/lunch?
 - **NSLA prizes during lunch, membership, tshirt, gift cards**
- Would anyone want to help moderate one of the choice sessions?
 - **Need room moderators for breakout sessions. Will allow registered guests in. Will help moderate the chat when there are questions.**
 1. **Courtney will moderate breakout #2**
 2. **Mandy will moderate breakout #3**
 3. **Cynthia will moderate breakout#4**
 4. **Angie will moderate breakout #1**
- 3. NETA Update. Confirmed featured speaker!
 - **Jennisen Lucas - AASL, presentations: Censorship/Copyright, Book , One other session?**
 - **Only have to pay for hotel and maybe registration fees**
 - **This is the year that AASL rep will visit us**
- 4. Membership committee update- recruit a friend for NSLD & seeking members for committee
 - **Joy met with Courtney, has one other person on the committee**
 - **May reference what AASL is doing on their committee**
 - **Will still take volunteers to join that committee**
- 5. Need to get an agenda for our membership meeting in October to send out to members ASAP. What do we need them to vote on?
 - **VOTE ON THIS: Approval of this year's budget**
 - **CAN'T VOTE ON THIS: (YET)Changing the wording of NSLA/NLA conference to School Librarians Day? Can't ask for that change until maybe next year, needs to be shared 30 days before**

VII. Executive Secretary's Report (Mandy Peterson) / No Approval Needed

[Click here for report](#)

- **Looks a bit scary, but more reminders will go out about membership expiring**
- **Membership committee can reach out to those people at some point**

Please use a Google Doc whenever available and send photo attachments in an email to Mandy. Weebly will not let us copy/paste images, formatting, text, etc as a chunk to our page. Mandy will format (paragraphs, bold, italics, underlines are all okay!). Please let her know where photos are appropriate to insert in the article. 100-200 words usually.

SEND TO MANDY BY THE 21ST OF EVERY MONTH

October-- Joy - Remote learning tips
November--Angie- NSLD conf.
December-- MARY- any ideas for me?

January--Courtney--
February--Crys - NETA upcoming
March--Andrea--topic???
April-- Beth... hmmm...??
May-- Kelly - Annual reports and Data

VIII. Communications (Anyone) / No Approval Needed

IX. Committee/Liaison Reports / No Approval Needed

1. PLEASE POST YOUR REPORTS (OR ANY INFORMATION YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE) BELOW YOUR NAME:

A. Academic Freedom Coalition of Nebraska (AFCON) Liaison: Kari Bulgrin

Annual Meeting October 17th on zoom (same as our day)

Current Topics in Intellectual Freedom in Libraries

Balancing the Books with Devra Dragos

The Electronic Academic Library: Licensing Resources Versus Ownership and Implications for Access with Jim Shaw

The [August 20th newsletter](#) has an interesting article about fake videos and how they undermine our freedoms, and what the law we can do.

Resources and statements on racial justice, free speech, the censorship of the CDC, and more.

[A letter on Justice and Open Debate](#) article in Harper's Magazine was signed by many prominent authors warning that our freedoms diminishing.

B. Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) Liaison: Chris Haeffner

- Reestablishing the ADHOC - Recertification of Libraries
- No updates on Future Ready
- Rule 10 on serious hold, really far behind on approving changes

C. Nebraska Library Association (NLA) Liaison:

D. NSLA Liaison to NLA: Angie Blankenship

- **Their conference is cancelled, not sure of anything happening**
- **Angie emailed Michael Stratman on 9/22/20 to get an update.**

E. Nebraska Library Commission (NLC) Liaison: Rod Wagner

COVID-19 health safety restrictions led to suspension of the Commission's library innovation studios (makerspaces) grant funded project. The project has resumed recently with installations and training in Superior, St. Paul, and Cambridge. The Commission received grant funding from the IMLS for an additional year and the project is now scheduled to end in June 2021. The extension was expected to add libraries up to 39 or 40 participants. With suspension of activities for several months, the project will be limited to 35 libraries. COVID-19 resulted in significant increases in online services. NebraskAccess database use has steadily increased. The 174 public libraries that are part of the OverDrive Libraries Group have had significant increases in eBook and digital audiobook lending. Eight more public libraries will join the OverDrive group in October. NCompass Live presentations have had increased participation as well - Nebraska librarians have been joined by others from out of state and out of country. .

F. Nebraska State Advisory Council Liaison: Joy Harvey

Next meeting 11/20/20

- **Have not met yet, no updates**

G. Awards and Scholarships: Cynthia Stogdill

- **Nomination for Admin: Ryan E.**
- **Nomination from last year too, not at the same school,**
- **Give both an award this year, one from 2019 and one from 2020**
- **Beth is going to deliver it**
- **Ordering Award - keep the same place to order from, Beth can get award
(Angie will order- Cynthia will help with more information)**

H. American Association of School Librarians (AASL) Liaison: Courtney Pentland

[Results of the August Snapshot Survey](#)

- **Second survey just closed last week**
- **Using the information to advocate for, many positions or budgets being cut across the country**
- **Chapter meeting on 10/7**

I. Student Representative Liaison: Peggy Bourge

The attached link has notes from Dr. Churchill UNO and Dr. Henning UNK

Sorry, I am having trouble with the shared link. So I am just pasting the notes here:

From Dr. Sarah Churchill UNO

There are a couple of things that I want to share:

#1 – For those that may not know, the amazing Dr. Pasco is retiring in December. Dr. Sara Churchill will be taking over the School Library Program at UNO. Dr. Churchill will also work closely with the Instruction Technology Leadership Program.

#2 – Like everything these days, we are currently adapting our classes to be “social distance” friendly. We are being flexible with our practicum course in terms of field experiences and observations. Some are taking place virtually. Some, with proper precautions, are taking place in person. Almost all of our classes are online this semester and will likely be the same in the Spring.

#3 – The UNO School Library Program would like to express our gratitude for all the hard work that the NSLA board has put into creating meaningful PD experiences and building social connections among the librarians in the state. Without our normal workshops, meetings, conferences, and class weekends, school librarians (like many people these days) can feel even more alone in what they do than normal. Thank you for your hard work and dedication to the profession.

From Dr. Judy Henning UNK

At UNK the school library students' courses are all online, so we are continuing as before; however, TE893 Field Experience class has been altered and does not require the 20 hours of field experience in a school since many schools are not allowing outside visitors because of COVID. The TE875 Administration class has also altered the professional development requirement to include more online webinars.

Some students are having difficulty getting the Praxis test scheduled, because the previous closure of the testing centers in March/April/May caused a waiting list of students who need to test. I was told there is a way to complete the Praxis from home, but I have inquired about this and cannot seem to get answers.

J. NSLA Webmaster: Mandy Peterson

K. Future Ready: Emmy Fiala

L. Social Media Committee: Emmy Fiala, Mandy Peterson

- **There's a doc where you can dump anything to post online and Emmy will share out**
- **Document shared with chairs of each committee**

M. Professional Development Committee: Courtney Pentland

N. Membership committee: Joy Harvey recruit a friend for NSLD & seeking members

X. Old Business / Possible Approval Needed

XI. New Business / Possible Approval Needed

XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Beth Eilers, seconded by Mary Gregoski